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SUBJECT: EGYPTIANS UNCOVER NEW DRUG SMUGGLING PLOY

1. CAIRO PRESS REPORTS THAT EGYPTIAN COAST GUARD HAS BEGUN TO MAKE SEIZURES OF PARCELS OF HASHISH AND OPIUM THROWN FROM TOURIST SHIPS ARRIVING AT ALEXANDRIA HARBOR FROM LATAKIA. PRESS SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED PACKAGES THROWN BY PASSENGERS OF TWO SOVIET VESSELS, THE ESHINERIA AND OGERIA, BUT STATES THAT COAST GURAD NOW KEEPING ALL SHIPS ARRIVING FROM LATAKIA UNDER CLOSE OBERVATION.

2. EGYPTIAN ANTI-NARCOTICS ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS CONFIRM THAT FREQUENCY OF USE OF THIS SMUGGLING TECHNIQUE JUST STARTING TO INCREASE. THEY DISMISS ANY SOVIET ANGLE AS SUCH, STATING BELIEF THAT ALL SMUGGLERS DISGUISED AS PASSENGERS ARE IN FACT EGYPTIANS. OFFICIALS PREDICT THAT, WITH LATAKIA IDENTIFIED AS SOURCE OF DRUGS, EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES WILL BE ABLE TO INTERDICT BULK OF THIS TRAFFIC.
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